FIGHTING THEM OVER.

What Our Veterans Have to Say About Their Old Campaigns.

A CASE OF MURDER. An Episode of Gen. Sherman's Campaign Through

the Carolinas. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: There was an episode in Sherman's Carolina campaign that I have never seen in print. I would like to place Island on a pontoon bridge, which had been laid and abandoned by the rebels, but on attempting to lay a pontoon across the eastern channel it was found that there were not boats enough. The division endured the discomfort Day of 1865 the First Brigade (commanded by Col. Ben. Harrison, of the 70th Ind.,) crossed

ON SCOWS AND FLATBOATS, followed the next day by the Second Brigade (Col. Dan Dustin's) in the same manner. The pontoon bridge was not completed so that

wagon trains could cross until Jan. 5. On Jan, 18 occurred a remarkable rise in the Savannah River of over 10 feet, and from the 19th to the 24th it rained constantly, flooding Hutchinson's Island and the swamp on the South Carolina shore. A part of the Twentieth Corps train got caught in the flood on the Island and 30 wagons were swept away and over 200 mules drowned. Gen. Williams's (First) Division had also crossed before the flood, but Geary's (Second) Division, having been assigned to provost duty in the city, was detained autil unable to cross. Geary was therefore ordered to march up the west side of the river with the Fourteenth Corps and cross at Sisters' Ferry, about 40 miles above Savannah. On the east side in the meantime the First Division had been advanced to Robertville, covering Sister's Ferry, and the Third Division (Ward) had occupied Hardeeville, on the Charleston & Savannah Railroad, and Purysburg, on the

On Jan. 29 we moved from Purysburg and joined the First Division at Robertville, a small hamlet on the road leading from Sisters' Ferry, on the Savannah River to Branchville, and about five miles from the former place. The road from Robertville to the river crosses Black Swamp, there more than three miles | La Salle street, Chicago. wide, and at that time

UNUSUALLY FULL OF WATER

from the great flood in the river. The turnpike, even, was overflowed in places, and all saturated and soft, so as to be impassable unless "corduroyed." The Fourteenth Corps and Geary's Division, of the Twentieth Corps, had hard shots fired at me regarding the official to remain on the Georgia side of Sisters' Ferry | record of battles of the Army of the Potomac, until this road could be corduroved. As soon | published in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of Sept. as it could be made passable for empty wagons, 8, and the article on the 83d Pa. of a few weeks | the stirring campaigns I have noted above. the trains of the two divisions at Robertville were sent to the river to receive their stores, plaining that their regiments are not accredited sent to the Ferry from Savannah by steamers, | with the number of battles in which they enand Selfridge's Brigade, of the First Division, accompanied them as escort,

This was on the 1st of February. Before night orders were received for the remainder of the forces at Robertville to march at daylight for Beaufort's Bridge, on the Salkebatchie, where Hardee had made a stand and trouble was anticipated. I had gone with the Third Division trains to Sisters' Ferry to receive commissary stores, and the sudden move of the | should be accredited to each regiment up to division left us there, with orders to wait until Gen. Geary should cross, and go forward under escort of his division. We did not leave | regiments which fought bravely in the Army February, and then were all night getting far as I can learn such ones had been consolithe balance of the corps on the 9th, just as it in existence as organizations. It is sufficient was approaching Blackville.

Now for the incident I set out to tell. We camped the second night about five miles north | approved by the War Department and by Gen. of Robertville. About dusk a negro came into | Meade, the latter issuing the order in question. camp and informed the writer, whom he first met, that three Union soldiers

HAD BEEN KILLED

near there when our first column had gone through, and were still lying unburied. He said that the soldiers had gone to the residence of a man by the name of Tom Trowell and asked for something to eat. While they were there a party of 16 of Wheeler's cavalry came in sight. The boys saw them, and, begging Trowell not to betray them, started from the back of the house into the woods. The old citizen, as soon as they were gone, ran out to the front gate, met the cavalry, and told them that "some Yankees had just run down into the woods. Go quick and you can catch them." They dashed after our boys; the negro soon beard shots, and afterward saw the dead bodies.

I took the negro to Col. Selfridge, commander of the brigade we were with, who listened to his tale with great interest, and then sent us with a staff officer to Gen. Geary, who only had authority to send an expedition outside of the picket-lines. The story of the dastardly outrage was heard by the stern General with great indignation, and he ordered his Provost-Marshal (Capt. Seymour) to take a cavalry escort and go out and

INVESTIGATE THE MATTER.

I obtained permission, with two comrades of the 33d Ind., to accompany them and represent the Third Division, as we feared that the murdered victims might have been from our com-

We found the house about a mile from camp, Capt. Seymour called the old citizen out and charged him with the negro's story. He admitted the death of the soldiers, but denied all complicity in it; denied that he had told the "Wheeler men" that they had been there even ; but his wife's story contradicted him. He said that he had left them unburied so that we could see them; but when Capt. Seymour asked why be came to him for protection that afternoon, the old fellow said he forgot it. Capt. S. denounced him roundly as an accessory to murder, and ordered him arrested and taken to headquarters.

On the way back we met a detail sent to bury the bodies, and we returned to search for them with the old man as guide. It was now dark, and the detachment lighted their way with pine knot torches. We were conducted into the woods about a quarter of a mile from the house, and the old man

LED US TO THE BODIES, lying about 100 yards apart. They had each so that nothing remained by which we could identify them. They did not wear any corps badge, so that we could not even tell to what division they belonged; but one of my companious thought he recognized in one of them a member of his regiment-the 23d Ind. My impression is that it was afterward ascertained sure, and would like to have some comrade who UNE who they were. Also, can any one tell what was done with the old citizen? I never

saw him again. It was a weird, wild scene, that burial of those three unknown comrades in their shallow | enemy's first line of works at the sunken road, graves in the dark woods by torchlight, and it from which they were driven to their second will never be effaced from my memory .- HAR- | line-all this under the most galling musketry VEY REID, 22d Wis., Maquoketa, Jackson Co., and artillery fire. Strenuous efforts were made

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JOHNSON'S ISLAND. A Few Reminiscences of the Confederate Officers'

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: During the

the front. it in the "catch-all" of The National Trib-une, and ask if any comrade can supply fuller on Johnson's Island. The immediate guards vincing proof of its service from the Spring of particulars, Gen.W. T. Ward's Division (Third), around the prison stockade was the Hoffman 1863 until the close of the war I refer the in-

went down to the rock, while a line of guards | record for active service. kept close watch all around the stockade, on of a bivonac in the mud on the swampy island On a slight clevation a battery of heavy guns | terested in the history of the war of the rebelduring an all-day's drizzling rain, and then was trained on the prison grounds. Inside lien, that the members of the regiment insist marched lack to Savannah. On New Year's | were confined 2,800 Confederate officers, a very | that at the battle of Franklin, Tenn., the 65th superior body of men.

bull-dogs were employed to assist in these

of oyster-cans, and when the guards were relieved, having a blue overcoat on, he fell in with the relief and thus made good his escape. The guards ever afterward were on the lookout for tin guns and tin bayonets.

While the regiment lay at Sandusky, a great many were sick and taken to a hospital across from our quarters. Many died, and I always wondered at the fatality, until since the war I was informed that the smallpox raged very badly, and the Surgeons were enabled to keep it secret by keeping it upstairs. On a bitter cold day several hundred of the shivering Confederates were taken from the prison and forwarded by rail to the James River for exchange, a number of whom cut holes through the bottom of the cars or crawled through the windows in transit and escaped.

I should like to hear from some of the Hoffman battalion, as my yarns are only hearsay. I know, however, that the Confederate prisoners were well fed and warmly clad, and as humanely used as was possible and prevent escapes.—Z. T. GEIFFIN, 122d N. Y., 164

THE FIGHTING THEY DID. About that Official Record of Battles and the

83d Pa. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I notice some previous. A great many comrades are comgaged, and some claim that their regiments were not noticed at all. But what I desire to say is that the order is both official and authoritative; that it was issued after careful and impartial investigation of the services and losses of each regiment by a board of eminent general officers convened for that purpose, and it must stand as the most reliable, or we may say the only reliable, record of the battles which that time-March 7, 1865, about one mouth previous to Lee's surrender. It is true some the river until the afternoon of the 4th of of the Potomac are not mentioned at all, but as through Black Swamp. We finally overtook | dated with other regiments and were not then to say that the board was convened by the orders of Gen. Grant, and that its findings were

In THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE for Sept. 29 Comrade Lewis Marvill presumes to correct the record, and gives the battles of some Michigan regiments, by which one would naturally infer that Michigan did all the fighting. One regiment of cavalry-the 4th-he says was in 92 battles! And then he says the 16th Mich. Inf. was sprinkling blood and bullets on 54 fields of carnage! The latter regiment was brigaded during the war with the 83d Pa., and in reality is credited by the War Department order with four battles less than the 83d Pa. As a regiment could hardly be expected to take part in twice as many battles as its fellow-regiments of the same brigade, of equal service, of course such a statement is preposterous on its face. But where does Comrade Marvill get his authority? Instead of official sources, he consults a local history, "Michigan in the War," We all know that many local and State histories are not altogether reliable on some statistical points, and that the authors are wont to give undue credit to their State troops. For this very reason it was wise in the Government at the time mentioned to issue, under Grant and Meade's directions, an official order giving credit where it belonged; and being issued at the very time when the records and services were fresh and authentic, of course they cannot be

considered otherwise. But "chestnuts" are often thrown by the boys at local historians, and they are, some of them, liable to report every little skirmish, every chance shot fired on a picket-line, and perchance every assault on a hen-roost or smokehouse, as a battle. If the comrade (Marvill) will kindly give us a list of the 54 battles fought by the 16th Mich., we are sure there are several hundred of its readers, survivors of the old Third Brigade, First Division, Fifth Corps, who would be mightily interested in it, for the 44th N. Y., 83d Pa. and 20th Me. all served as a brigade during the war, and we would certainly like to find out just how many and what bathe did not tell the General about them when | thes we have all been cheated out of .- J. C. HARRIS, 83d Pa., Venango, Pa.

At Cold Harbor.

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Comrade J. W. Kelly, Tylersville, Pa., is correct in his statement as to who succeeded to the command of the Fourth Brigade, First Division, Second Corps, after the wounding of Col. John R. Brooke on the morning of June 3 at Cold Harbor. Comrade C. T. Barr, Co. E, 148th Pa., has evidently confounded Col. O. H. Morris, of the 66th N. Y., with Col. Lewis O. Morris, of the 7th N. Y. H. A. It was the latter who took command of the brigade soon after the woundbeen shot from two to four times, and had been | ing of Col. Brooke, and remained in command robbed of knapsacks, haversacks, guns and until he was killed, on the 4th, when Col. James accounterments and the contents of their pockets, A. Beaver, of the 148th Pa., took command. Col. O. H. Morris, of the 66th N. Y., was killed within a few minutes of the time Col. Brooke was wounded

Col. Lewis O. Morris was an officer of the Regular Army, a strict disciplinarian and every inch a soldier; a commander who was loved and respected by his men, for they well knew that they were all of that regiment, but am not | he would not ask them to go where he would not lead. I think his soldierly qualities were knows tell us through THE NATIONAL TRIB. | well demonstrated on the field at Cold Harbor on that bloody morning when his regiment took from 200 to 300 prisoners and three cannon, which were turned on the enemy by Col. Morris's direction. This all occurred at the to hold our position, but no supports came up, and we were compelled to fall back, but did not retreat, as some portions of the line did not fall back more than 75 yards and others perhaps double that distance, where they intrenched themselves as best they could, throwing up the earth with their tin plates and cups. | times without largely increasing expenses. To field, where he was left, after being wounded, when the boys fell back, until an opportunity presented itself for escape, which was not for several hours after, as all who were there can testify. With Comrade Barr I would like to hear from some of the old Fourth Brigade, who "got there" every time.-W. A. CLARK, Co. C. 20th N. Y., and Co. I, 7th N. Y. H. A., Newark,

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THE 65th ILL. A Question Concerning Its Service Clearly An-

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: Not long since Winter of 1864, from about the first week in I saw in your columns an inquiry as follows: From Alert Comrades All Along the January, Shaler's Brigade was detached from | "Did the 65th Ill. as an organization ever go the Army of the Potomac and sent to assist in into active service; and if it did, what battles guarding the Confederate officers who were was it engaged in?" My answer to the comprisoners of war on Johnson's Island, near San- rade who is seeking information concerning a dusky, O. As soon as the ice in Sandusky Bay | regiment of which I was a member during its broke up in the Spring the brigade returned to life as an organization will be as brief as the facts will permit. The 65th Ill. was mustered While there many incidents occurred that | into service in April, 1862, and served in the might interest old soldiers generally. The field from that time until the war was over- living they will come out of their holes and brigade was composed of the 65th, 67th and having veteranized in the field-except that, 122d N. Y. and 23d and 82d Pa. The 122d was having been surrendered at Harper's Ferry in

employed in doing provost duty in Sandusky | September, 1862, it did not go into active servof the Twentieth Corps, was ordered to cross the Savannah River into South Carolina on Dec. 31, 1864. It crossed to Hutchinson's ness of the prison that escapes were impossible, J. D. Cox, which I ask you to publish as a part but such was not the case. Tunneling was an of this answer. After he has read it I am sure rade Yeoman; coldness of the arm, emaciation impossibility, as the ditch inside the stockade | he will be convinced that the 65th Ill, made a | of the arm and shoulder, loss of weight of body,

I will add for his further information, and top of which were thickly posted sentinels. for the information of others who may be in-Ill. killed and wounded a greater number of At times small details of prisoners under | the enemy than were killed and wounded by guard would be taken out to gather wood, any other regiment in the National army in when occasionally one would escape, and make any other battle of the war except one, and for the ice across the bay. A skating patrol that one the 65th Ind., which was in the same would soon overtake the fleeing Johnny and brigade. The two 65ths were in what a writer bring him back to captivity. It is said that | in the Southern Bironac has styled "Casement's celebrated brigade," which brigade the writer I speak of says "killed more men at the battle But the "cutest" trick ever played was of Franklin than were killed by any like numwhen a Confederate constructed a tiu gun out | ber of men in any other battle of the war."-OLIVER W. CASE, Co. C, 65th Ill., St. Louis, Mo.

GEN, COX'S LETTER. CINCINNATI, Oct. 5, 1887. My DEAR SIR: I can hardly think it possible that anybody at all intelligent in regard to the history of the civil war should have seriously questioned the activity of the field service of the 65th lil. When I joined the Twenty-third Corps, in December, 1863, I found the regiment in it, it having shared the battles in East Tennessee under Burn-side and the memorable siege of Knoxville. The regiment veteranized during the Winter of 1863-4, and rejoined the command on June 4, 1864, during paign and the succeeding one in the chase after Hood when Atlanta had fallen. When Sherman marched to the sea the Twenty-

third Corps was ordered to join Gen. George H. Thomas in the Tennessee campaign against Hood, colminating in the great battles of Franklin and Nashviile, in all of which the 65th Ill. had an honorable and an active part. After the battle of Nashville the corps was or-

the active service and engagements of the campaign in North Carolina, including the capture of Fort Anderson, battle at Old Town Creek, capture of Wilmington, battle of Kinston, taking of Golds-borough and Raleigh, and the final surrender of Johnston at Greenesboro, N. C. I was not personally acquainted with the services

of the regiment prior to the East Tennessee campaign, but I can truthfully say that of my personal knowledge from the Summer of 1863 to the end of constantly under fire than the 65th Ill, was, and its duty was always done with honor to itself.

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FIGHTING QUANTRELL A Brush with this Famous Bushwhacker at Inde-

pendence, Mo. EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: On Feb. 14, 1862, the 2d Ohio Cav, was camping in the outskirts of Kansas City. Its business there was to watch Quantrell, who at that time was organizing his famous company of bushwhackers and cut-throats in and around Independence, Mo. On the day following our arrival, just at dusk, there came a messenger, who reported that Quantrell was in the town of Independence, and had delivered a harangue at one of the public halls, calling on the people to turn out and drive the invaders from their soil. He finally gathered a motley crowd, made up of all sorts-the "rag-tag and bob-tail" of the country. Some of them had on blue-jeans coats and pants, others were dressed in butternut, while a few had on store clothes. They were 'hard citizens," and a Northern "mudsill" would get wiped out if he came in contact

with them-so they thought. We were ordered to strike tents and saddle up, and in seven minutes by the watch we were ready. There were two companies, E and L. We left camp about two o'clock a. m., and at break of day were marching through the town. One company was deployed, half on each side, and the other went through the center. Our scouts were at the head of the column. Two of them were known as the "Red Legs." They belonged to After diligent search in and around the town they came back and reported that Quantrell was not there, but had been there and left be-

fore dark that evening. We got the two companies together and marched out of town to a farm-house, where there seemed to be plenty of corn standing in the shock in the field. We were brought into line, dismounted and ordered to gather corn and feed our horses, which we did. Co. E. which led the column, and was first on the ground, got the bridles off first, and the men of Co. L had not yet got our bridles off, when we heard firing, and on looking down the road toward the town we discovered our rear-guard, which we had left there for protection, flying toward us, with Quantrell's men in pursuit and

We did not need orders, and in less than two minutes were in our saddles. Out of the gap in the fence we went, Capt. Crawford Stewart at our head. We drove the few men of Quantrell's "mob" back to the town, where they again mingled with Quantrell's main force. which was ready to receive us at the lower end

They were drawn up in line and facing us. with Quantrell at their head. We went on the jump, formed platoons-20 men abreast-without slacking our speed, until we were within 50 feet of them. Then we opened with our revolvers-Smith & Wesson self-cockers-and gave it to them. They could not stand the onslaught, but broke and ran in all directions. We followed and picked them off whereever we could find them.

We killed seven, took nine prisoners, and lost one man; he could not manage his horse, and when the Southern chivalry ran, he went with them and was shot in the back. So much for the brave man who sacked Lawrence and was the terror of Missouri.-Scott Sherman. Co. L, 2d Ohio Cav., Stanberry, Mo.

Some Questions Answered About the Tortilita Mines.

The publishers of The Post enjoy a personal acquaintance with Mr. Joseph H. Reall, president and active manager of the Tortilita Gold and Silver Mining Company, and know him to be an able and honorable gentleman. We have the fullest confidence in his integrity and ability, either personally or as representing the Tortilita company, to perform faithfully whatever contract he may seek to make.

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B. F. Barton, Fifer, Co. H, 61st Ill., expresses the wish that if any of his old comrades are

W. M. Ross, 59th and 89th Ill., Fall Brook, Cal., was much interested in the case of Comrade Yeomans, as his own was very similar. The writer was shot through the right shoulder, the ball shattering the joint. Erysipelas set in, resulting in the anchylosis of the elbow joint. From this point the sufferings from the wound have been much like these described by Comand hemorrhages of the lungs. He found temporary relief by removal to the dry climate of California, but has constantly before him the positive certainty of death at a not remote period. He thinks the Pension Bureau should recognize the physical effects which often follow a severe wound, aside from the mere crippling by the wound itself.

Chas. H. Oaks, Co. K, 11th Ky., Greenville, Ky., writes a good word for Hon, W. G. Hunter, Member of Congress-elect from Kentucky, who has proved himself a good friend of the sol-

H. I. Whitehouse, Captain, Co. B, 19th Ky., Mitchellsburg, Ky., regrets his inability to attend the Encampment at St. Louis, where he would have enjoyed meeting his old comrades. He is always rejoiced to hear from any of them through THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, and hopes they will keep up the fire. Geo. Gift, 62d Ohio, Milledgeville, Ill., would

be glad to hear from any of his old comrades of to, F. F. M. Huffman, Co. D, 3d W. Va., Fellowsville, W. Va., would like to hear from some of his comrades of Milroy's Brigade, Sigel's Corps, who were engaged in the second battle of Bull

Run. The brigade consisted of the 2d, 3d and 5th W. Va., and the 82d Ohio, commanded by the Atlanta campaign. From that time out it 5th W. Va., and the 82d Ohio, commanded by shared in all the engagements of that famous camon the 29th of August. The writer would like especially to hear from some of the men who were wounded and lay on the field with him for seven days and nights, and were then removed to Georgetown College Hospital, West Washington; also, the whereabouts of Dr. Smith, who took charge of Ward No. 1 in said hosdered to Washington, and thence by the ocean to Fort Fisher, and again the 65th Ill, took part in all Miller and James H. Pearce, who were nurses Away to the stable in that ward.

Mound, Mo., wonders what has become of all his old comrades. He would be glad to see more from them in THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE. writes that he belonged to the 1865 crop of meyn did injustice to the 2d Ohio H. A. in saysoldiers. He was too young to go before that | ing that they were down on the colored solthe war it would be hard to find a regiment more time, and when he did enlist was only a boy diers. The writer says he never heard such attending school, but he shouldered his mus- sentiments expressed, and does not think they It would have been a great pleasure to have been at the Reunion and to have met the comrades of was near its end, so that his regiment did not of the regiment. see a battle. The only fighting they had was with musketos and graybacks, in which they Franklin, Neb., rises to ask what is the matter were engaged for about seven months.

Mrs. Sarah Kennedy Downer, Painesville, nothing from them, although they certainly State not given,) sends a brief communication | had enough experience during the war to find in support of the claim that her brother, Col. something to write about. suffering from Asthmatic and Bronchiat Diseases, T. J. Kennedy, (now dead,) was the first Union

volunteer in the late war. be very glad to hear from any comrade of the ured a squad of rebels. The writer would be 5th Reserve Corps, which did duty at Prison | glad to have his comrades wake up. Camp, Indianapolis, who can call to mind the circumstances of one of the guard being injured | thinks it a great hardship that the veterans Simon M. McCallough, Forest, Ind., who was

would be pleased to hear from any of the sur-

to be considered for a moment. A. L. Harmon, Co. F. 10th Ohio Cav., Iola, comrade living in Sonora, Cal.

Information Asked and Given.

B. S. Loser, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., asks if any comrade knows the number of the regiment in which one Chas. Bacon served; also, the company and name of the Captain. Thomas Brownlee, Three Springs, (State not given.) inquires the whereabouts of Lieut. Hunt, Co. I, 1st N. J. Cav., or any other mem-

ber of that company. Mrs. Adeline Hull, Box 220, Naugatuck, Coun., asks information of Beunett W. Painter, the flag of their adopted country. who left Plymouth, Litchfield Co., Conn., for Kansas, and were once with John Brown. Montana some time before the war. She has not heard from him since. She thinks he served in the army, and is now somewhere in the West. If living, correspondence with him information concerning him will be thankfully

received. J. H. Eberth, Co. C. 101st Ohio, replying to the request of Nelson H. Fulton, says the address of Silas B. Anway is Eastport, Antrim

Solomon Yeakel, Weissport, Pa., is informed that the Sixth Corps badge has not "gone out rushed to the cornfield to get their fodder. We of existence." The survivors wear, and are entitled to do so, the same badge they wore during the war. A. W. Mann, Co. C, 29th Ohio, Burr Oak,

Kan., asks if any reader of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE who belonged to the 1st W. Va. Cav. knew his brother, Miles E. Mann, and what became of him. He enlisted in July, 1863, in Virginia. Any information will be thankfully received. Lost and Found.

Wm. Leonard, Co. G. 38th Ill., Fort Scott, Kan., will be under many obligations for the return of his discharge, which was lost at Springfield, Ill.

A. B. Hutchison, Captain, 49th Pa., Waverly, Kan., has the following papers which he would be glad to restore to their owners: Pension cer- referred to one crossing and Comrade Church tificate of Jerry Scanlon, Co. F, 72d Ohio. When last heard from he was living at Wynne, Ark. | two different places. Where the 2d Wis. crossed Also, the discharge of Chas. E. Starkweather, was a mile or more down the river from the now dead, Co. D. 43d Mo.; and letters to Eliza town. J. Starkweather, his wife. He was last heard from at some point in Cherokee County, Kan. given to Irwin M. Ebricht by the State of Ohio | of Bad Ax, and tells a story to prove it. as a member of Co. F, 17th Ohio. He will gladly restore it to the owner or his friends. Fred L. Kopp, 4th Ohio, Galion, O., has a corps badge of the First Division, Second Corps, | ago, on the battle of Williamsburg. So much belonging to John B. Lebkicker, of the 79th | space has already been given to this subject Pa. It was picked up on the battlefield of Get- | that it is impossible to publish this article in tysburg. If the comrade is alive he can have full, much as we would like to do so. The it by addressing as above, or it will be delivered to any of his friends.

Jerry Blosier, Co. E, 9th Ohio Cav., Bucyrus, O., wonders whether the soldier who got his silver bugle at the barracks in Louisville, Ky., early in 1864, would not feel better if he returned it to him, or write and tell him what became of it. He says it was one of the 7th Pa. Cav. who took it.

Give Them Their Due.

E. A. Pendleton, 9th Ohio battery, Waterbury, Conn., advocates the following plan for the payment of pensions: Taking the soldier's age at the time of his discharge, let the Government pay him a pension of \$8 a month, beginning, say, 24 years from the close of the war, provided the man is not less than 50 years old; at 55 years increase the pension to \$11; at 60 years, \$15; at 65 years, \$20; and at 70 years, \$25 per month, officers and men alike. J. E. Harrison, Co. G. 44th Ohio, and 8th Ohio Cav., Xenia, Ind., is in favor of the G.A.R. Pension Committee's bill, which has been voted

members of the Grand Army. Nelson W. Eastman, Co. H, 2d Mo. Cav., National Home, Milwaukee, Wis., writes upon the subject of pensions, urging in strong terms the obligations of the Government to do justice to those who sacrificed so much in its behalf. J. Wilson, Laona, N. Y., thinks it very unjust that many who enlisted early in 1865, and hardly went to the front at all, were paid more

in national and local bounties than the veterans

of 1861 for three or four years of hard service.

upon and almost unanimously approved by the

He strongly favors a pension bill based on length of service. Wm. Grist, Ridge, O., writes in very strong language of the debt the Government owes to the soldiers, widows and orphans. He says they are continually being put off with promises, but nothing is done for their relief. He thinks the remedy is in the ballot, and the comrades should be careful how they use it.

Random Shots.

Chas. Packard, Co. A, 32d Iowa, Luni, Iowa, says the comrades are wrong in regard to the Second Brigade, Second Division, Sixteenth Corps. He says it was organized at Vicksburg in the Spring of 1864, and was composed of the 14th, 27th and 32d Iowa, 24th Mo. and 3d Ind. battery. In the following Winter or Spring the time of the 14th Iowa having expired, its place was taken by the 6th Minn., and the brigade remained thus until the close of the war. W. H. Abbott, Co. B, 1st Ind. Cav., Fairfield, Ill., gives a sketch of the war horse "Old Fly," which was born in 1855, and "enlisted" in Co. B, 1st Ind. Cav., at Evansville July 20, 1861. The horse participated in all the campaigns and battles of the regiment, was "mustered out" at Indianapolis in September, 1864, and is now living at the age of 32 years.

Daniel Bouge, Co. A, 87th Pa., Hartford City, (State not given,) thinks some of the comrades have failed to do justice to the 87th in their accounts of battles in which it was engaged. Chas. Sheak, Co. A, 13th Ohio, Canal Fulton, O., says the Third Brigade, Third Division, Fourth Corps, was commanded by Gen. Sam Beatty, formerly Colonel of the 19th Ohio. The brigade consisted of the 13th and 19th Ohio J. W. Phillips, Co. A, 16th Wis., West Fork,

gard to the composition of the First Brigade, Third Division, Seventeenth Corps. The 16th Wis., he says, was in the brigade. Thos. W. E. Bedford, Co. K, 12th U. S. Inf., Plattville, Ill., writes in behalf of the inmates of the Government Hospital for the Insane at Washington. He says that many of them are old soldier comrades and some are capable of reading and understanding. He suggests that papers and magazines be sent them, and shows his faith by his works, sending \$1 for THE NA-

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TIONAL TRIBUNE for them. Griffith Lytle, Co. C, 49th Pa., Downs, Kan., says he was surprised at some of the statements of A. E. Mathews, San Francisco, Cal., in his article on the 6th Me. at Rappahannock Station. The writer still carries in his hip a rebel bullet which he received as he reached the rifle-pit a short distance to the right of the fort, and almost directly opposite the pontoon bridge. He says the 49th Pa. was in the front line and reached the works at the same time as the 6th Me. The charge was led by Gen. David Russell in person. The writer says the 6th Me. was a gallant regiment, but no better than the other regiments of Hancock's brigade. The 5th Me. and the 121st N. Y. came up in splendid style at this fight, and deserve as much credit as any other of the troops engaged. I. W. Miller, Co. A, McLaughlin Squadron, Ohio Cav., Gibsonburg, Ohio, gives the following words to the stable call:

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Wm. P. Burge, Hospital Steward, 2d Ohio H. Wallace Willett, Co. K, 152d Ill., Vernon, Ill., A., Westfield, Mass., thinks Capt. Henry Ro-

Edward Joslin, Co. I, 1st U. S. Sharpshooters, with all of Berdan's Sharpshooters. He sees Adam Roos, Co. A, 1st Ky., Canal Dover, O.

asks his comrades of the Louisville Legion if Milton H. Wayne, Co. A, 20th Wis., and Co. | they remember the little episode at Guyan-C. 5th Invalid Corps, Royalton, Minn., would | dotte, W. Va., June 16, 1861, where they capt-H. R. King, Co. I, 21st Ill., Newton, Ill.

by the careless discharge of a gun in the hands | who are compelled to become inmates of Solof one of his comrades when the guns were be- diers' Homes have to leave their wives and ing fired after guard-mounting, about Feb. 15, families. The comrade thinks this ought not so to be. All hail to the noble State of Wisconsin. which is providing a Home with cottages on the gunboat Alabama when she blew up, where the veterans can live with their families. I. L. Blaisdell, Santa Cruz, Cal., refers again to the little gunboat at Port Royal. He says S. W. Kroff, Co. C. 12th Ohio, San Diego, Cal., | that during the engagement it was employed was a good deal "riled" by reading the speech | in towing into action the sailing sloop Vanof Gen. Butler favoring pensions to the rebels. | dalia, and continued pulling this vessel around The writer says such a proposition is too absurd | until the fight closed. The writer was on board the Mohican during the action, that ship being third in line, following the Susquehanna. Kan, would be glad to correspond with some | The Mohican was nearest to Fort Walker, having run aground at that point. The vessel was struck a number of times by shot from the fort. and several men on board were killed and wounded.

Charles Deyling, Co. K, 1st U. S. V. V., (address not given,) calls attention to the conspicuous loyalty to the Government of the Germans in Missouri. He says that of the 10,400 men furnished from St. Louis in response to the President's first call for troops, nearly all of them were Germans. On every battlefield of the war the Germans attested their fealty to

Philip H. Greely, 13 Center street, Cambridgeport, Mass., writes that a determined effort will be made to induce Congress to carry out the promise made by Gen. Banks that medals of honor should be wen those who paris necessary for the settlement of an estate. Any ticipated in the charge of the "foriorn hope" at Port Hudson.

J. M. Carpenter, Co. A, 89th N. Y., Sullivanville, N. Y., says his regiment did not do so much as others in the flag-planting business, but when "thrashing time" came the boys were generally there. Replying to a recent communication from Comrade Blanchard, who said that no troops forded the stream at Antietam, the writer would like to propound to him the following conundrums: First, where were the 9th, 89th and 103d N. Y. during the battle of Antietam, and what were they doing? Second, what regiment crossed the Nansemond River at Suffolk, Va., and captured Fort Hill during Longstreet's siege? Third, what regiments crossed the river in front of Fredericksburg in pontoon boats at the time of Burnside's attack in September, 1862? The writer says he was only a little "kid" when all these things happened, and possibly his memory may be de-

fective. He asks for information. G. W. Steele, Co. G, 76th N.Y., Cuyler, N.Y., writing of the crossing at Fredericksburg and the difference of opinion expressed by different comrades, says that no doubt Comrade Maloney to another. The crossing was made in at least

Bernard Dunn, Co. A, 2d Iowa Cav., La Crosse Wis., thinks the expression "Grab a root" had C. F. Edmunds, Marshfield, Ore., has a medal | its origin in the Black Hawk war, in the battle

Geo. B. McKenney, Co. C. 7th Me., Gloucester, Mass., devotes several pages to a review of the replies to his article, published some months comrade admits that he may have been mistaken in some of the minor points, but affirms the general correctness of his former article.

A. Hottinger, Co. L., 10th Mo. Cav., Edna. Kan., thinks Comrade Vance was considerably mixed in his account of the fighting at Selma. The writer says he never cared much about what other regiments did, having his hands full to note what his own was doing. He gives a brief sketch of the assault on the works which resulted in the capture of a large number of guns and prisoners. Then followed the movement to Columbus, Ga., where was fought, the writer thinks, the last battle of the war, on April 16.

Moving on Richmond.

John Brooks, Co. D. 19th Wis., Elba, Wis., controverts in a pleasant way the statement of Comrade Card, who said the 13th N. H. was the first to enter Richmond, and that the 19th Wis, was doing guard duty 14 months at Fortress Monroe while the 13th N. H. was doing service at the front. The writer says that the 19th Wis, never did a single day's guard duty or any other kind at Fortress Monroe, but was always in the front line of the Army of the Potomac, even if they did live on soft bread and Jersey butter. He says the 19th Wis. was the first regiment to enter Richmond.

J.W. Winter, Commissary Sergeant, 19th Me. Bath, Me., does not understand why so many comrades in writing of the entry into Petersburg, and the raising of the first Union flag in that city, fix the date as April 3. The writer says that his regiment entered Petersburg 24 hours earlier than that, about sunrise on the morning of the 2d. On the morning of the 3d they were a good distance away on the road to Appomattox with the Second Corps. The writer asks if Petersburg was not evacuated on the morning of Sunday, April 2.

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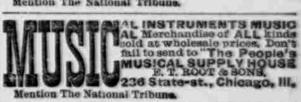
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